

A Sound of Joy

Psalm 96:1-13

“Sing to the LORD a new song; Sing to the LORD, all the earth. Sing to the LORD, bless His name; Proclaim good tidings of His salvation from day to day. Tell of His glory among the nations, His wonderful deeds among all the peoples. For great is the LORD and greatly to be praised; He is to be feared above all gods. For all the gods of the peoples are idols, But the LORD made the heavens. Splendor and majesty are before Him, Strength and beauty are in His sanctuary. Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples, Ascribe to the LORD glory and strength. Ascribe to the LORD the glory of His name; Bring an offering and come into His courts. Worship the LORD in holy attire; Tremble before Him, all the earth. Say among the nations, “The LORD reigns; Indeed, the world is firmly established, it will not be moved; He will judge the peoples with equity.” Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; Let the sea roar, and all it contains; Let the field exult, and all that is in it. Then all the trees of the forest will sing for joy Before the LORD, for He is coming, For He is coming to judge the earth. He will judge the world in righteousness And the peoples in His faithfulness.” (Psalm 96, NASB)

1. Sing! The News is Good, vs. 1-3.

“Sing to the LORD a new song; Sing to the LORD, all the earth. Sing to the LORD, bless His name; Proclaim good tidings of His salvation from day to day. Tell of His glory among the nations, His wonderful deeds among all the peoples.”

- A. What we are to Sing, vs. 1a--- *“Sing a new song (song of redemption in Jesus Christ, a song of good news).”*
- B. How we are to Sing, vs. 1-3.
- C. Who is to Sing, vs. 1--- *“all the earth (especially those who have been redeemed).”*



“Let the redeemed of the Lord say so.” (Psalm 107:2).

- D. When we are to Sing, vs. 2--- *“from day to day.”*
- E. To Whom are we to Sing, vs. 3--- *“among the nations...and among all the peoples.”*

2. Praise! Our God is Great, vs. 4-6.

“For great is the LORD and greatly to be praised; He is to be feared above all gods. For all the gods of the peoples are idols, But the LORD made the heavens. Splendor and majesty are before Him, Strength and beauty are in His sanctuary.”

- A. Great in His person, vs. 4a--- *“For great is the LORD.”*
- B. Great in His position, vs. 4b-5a--- *“and greatly to be praised; He is to be feared above all gods. For all the gods of the peoples are idols.”*
- C. Great in His power, vs. 5b--- *“But the LORD made the heavens.”*
- D. Great in His preeminence, vs. 6--- *“Splendor and majesty are before Him, Strength and beauty are in His sanctuary.”*

“He is also head of the body, the church; and He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that He Himself will come to have first place in everything.” (Colossians 1:18)

3. Worship! The LORD is Worthy, vs. 7-9.

“Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples, Ascribe to the LORD glory and strength. Ascribe to the LORD the glory of His name; Bring an offering and come into His courts. Worship the LORD in holy attire; Tremble before Him, all the earth.”



A. We should give our wonder, vs. 7-8a.

“Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples, Ascribe to the LORD glory and strength. Ascribe to the LORD the glory of His name...”

B. We should give our wealth, vs. 8b.

“Bring an offering and come into His courts.”

C. We should give our worship, vs. 9.

“Worship the LORD in holy attire; Tremble before Him, all the earth.”

4. **Rejoice! The King is Coming, vs. 10-13.**

“Say among the nations, “The LORD reigns; Indeed, the world is firmly established, it will not be moved; He will judge the peoples with equity.” Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; Let the sea roar, and all it contains; Let the field exult, and all that is in it. Then all the trees of the forest will sing for joy Before the LORD, for He is coming, For He is coming to judge the earth. He will judge the world in righteousness And the peoples in His faithfulness.”

A. The LORD reigns, vs. 10.

- 1) His Absolute sovereignty, vs. 10a--- *“Say among the nations, “The LORD reigns.”*
- 2) His Absolute security, vs. 10b--- *“...Indeed, the world is firmly established, it will not be moved.”*
- 3) His Absolute sanctity, vs. 10c--- *“...He will judge the peoples with equity.”*



B. Creation rejoices, vs. 11-13.

- 1) The heavens Rejoice, vs. 11a--- *“Let the heavens be glad.”*
- 2) The earth Rejoices, vs. 11b-12--- *“Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; Let the sea roar, and all it contains; Let the field exult, and all that is in it. Then all the trees of the forest will sing for joy Before the LORD, for He is coming, For He is coming to judge the earth.”*
- 3) The righteous Rejoice, vs. 13--- *“He will judge the world in righteousness and the peoples in His faithfulness.”*

My Response:

1. Sing your redemption song daily.
2. Praise daily your Great God.
3. Give your wonder, wealth, and worship to God.
4. Rejoice! Jesus is coming soon.

Answers: Sing, what, how, who, when, whom, Praise, person, position, power, preeminence, Worship, wonder, wealth, worship, Rejoice, reigns, sovereignty, security, sanctity, rejoices, heavens, earth, righteous.

